Assessment Newsletter Update
Wednesday, December 6, 2017

Our next Assessment & Accountability Newsletter will be December 20, 2017. For those of you who will be on Winter Break, Happy Holidays from the Assessment Team!

TO: All subscribed Newsletter Users

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Assessment & Accountability Roadshow

Get up-to-date Assessment & Accountability information along with hands on training! We now will be offering a variety of topics to cover the State's Comprehensive Assessment Programs. Topics include: ISAT, Accommodations, College Entrance Exams (SAT), WIDA ACCESS 2.0, specific time to answer assessment questions and New Assessment Coordinator specific sessions. Please share registration with staff. For agenda, please click here.

Training Locations:
- **January 30, 2018** - Regions 3 & 4 - **Boise State University**, Student Union Building, Second Floor, 1700 University Drive, Boise, ID 83725
- **February 1, 2018** - Regions 5 & 6 - **Shoshone-Bannock Hotel & Event Center**, 777 Bannock Trail, Fort Hall, ID 83203
- **February 5, 2018** - Regions 1 & 2 - **Coeur d'Alene Resort**, 115 S 2nd St, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

Find locations and more information on the [Assessment Training Registration Form](#).

Have any questions, please contact Danielle Taylor at (208) 332-6903 or dtaylor@sde.idaho.gov.

Assessing Students with Disabilities State-Wide

The Idaho Training Clearinghouse (ITC) Assessment page is undergoing renovations. It will have a new name: Assessing Students with Disabilities Statewide. It will include information about assessing students with disabilities on all of Idaho's statewide assessments: College Entrance Exams, Early Literacy, ISAT, and ISAT-Alt. Thank you for your patience as this resource gets updated.

As a reminder: There are no changes to the ISAT-Alt assessments this year. The reason this year's Science ISAT-Alt Manual has not been released is because we are waiting for the changes to IPASS to be finalized. You may remember hearing in August that IPASS is being updated to improve user interface. Once the updates are finalized, the manual will be updated and released. In the meantime, teachers should use the ISAT Alt Science Portfolio Manual from last year for guidance in gathering baseline data and creating artifacts with their students. Look for updates in the Assessment and Accountability Newsletter for details on the release of the manual.

Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Karren Streagle, PhD (208) 332-6824, kstreagle@sde.idaho.gov

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Cohort Graduation Rate

Cohort graduation rate appeals window is now open and closes Dec 29. This is the only opportunity to appeal non-graduates. Visit: https://apps.sde.idaho.gov/CohortGradAppeals/ for more information. Secondary School Principals and District superintendents have been notified, but we encourage district assessment coordinators to forward this information to make sure everyone has the opportunity to submit appeals before the window closes.

SAT

Please see attached PDF for the SAT School Day Overview including key date calendar.

College Board recorded webinar trainings pertaining to SAT can be found here (scroll to bottom > training tab) http://sde.idaho.gov/assessment/college/

ACCUPLACER

Webinars

We recently had an ACCUPLACER Overview Webinar on November 14, 2017. This webinar provided an overview of the ACCUPLACER and guidance for IEP teams. If you missed it please click the hyperlinks to view the materials or visit our [College Entrance Exams](#) webpage.

- [ACCUPLACER Overview Webinar](#)
- [ACCUPLACER Overview Webinar PDF](#)
- [ACCUPLACER Overview Q&A](#)
- [ACCUPLACER Placement Decision Making Process](#)
- [ACCUPLACER Reportable Score Accommodations](#)
- [SAT Reportable Score Accommodations](#)
- [ACCUPLACER Score Interpretation Guide](#)
- [College Entrance Exam Assessment Guide](#)
- [College Entrance Exam Rule Update](#)

Our next webinar, **January 24, 2018**. This webinar will provide information and details on test administration and how to navigate the ACCUPLACER application.

System Requirements

Many people have asked what is needed to download in order to run the ACCUPLACER Application. The platform requires an internet browser. To verify that your system meets the requirements, you can visit the [ACCUPLACER](#) webpage. On the bottom, right hand side of the screen, click "Verify System." It will prompt a screen to display if you pass or fail the minimum requirements. Some accommodations (e.g. JAWS) might require licensing and installation of the specific program(s).

Test Proctor Account Set-Up

The school point of contact/test proctor for ACCUPLACER, will receive two emails in early December. The first email will be from Danielle Taylor with step-by-step instructions on how to create an ACCUPLACER account. The second email will be from ACCUPLACER which will provide you access to create your account. Please be aware, you will only have 24-hours to create the account once you receive the email from ACCUPLACER. If the 24-hours has expired, you are able to receive a new email to your current email address, which enables you to create an account.

Please contact Danielle Taylor at (208) 332-6903 or dtaylor@sde.idaho.gov.

IRI Data

- Fall 2017 IRI data should be populated in the ADEA Application, the REPORT CARD and the IRI WEB APP
- Districts can access un-redacted data on the IRI Web Application available here https://apps.sde.idaho.gov/IRI/ and going to the Reporting tab, IRI District Totals or with report card rights given by each district.
- If you have any questions, please visit the IRI webpage. http://sde.idaho.gov/assessment/iri/
- Winter access codes for IRI are now available. Please email Heidi Arrate harrate@sde.idaho.gov for access.
- Spring Order Form for Legacy IRI materials will be posted under the highlights button on the IRI page beginning January 1st. Please fill out the form and return it to Heidi Arrate by February 26, 2018 to receive your materials by April 16th.

New Science Items Examples Introduced as Need for a New Science Assessment Increases

- New 3D Science practice tests can be found on the Science & End of Course Assessments page by clicking on the "New Science Practice Test" icon. These sample items illustrate the rigor and complexity of new Science test items, while allowing students to quickly become familiar with the item interactions and navigational tools that are used in 3D assessments. These items have been organized into sets, called clusters, designed to engage the student in a grade-appropriate, meaningful scientific activity. While these are aligned to a specific standard, they may not be aligned to Idaho's New Science Content Standards but have been made available to educators and students, as a possible format for the types of items that may be used in future Science assessments

Alternate Science Application is almost completed

- The IPASS Application will open on December 11th. The first window is for the students and teachers to be added to the application. In order to prepare for this window – we encourage the following:
  - District test coordinators and special education directors should coordinate on who will enter students and teachers in the application and make sure this person has the IPASS Test Coordinator Role (work with your district IT staff to make sure this role is assigned in the ISEE Admin Tool.
  - Compile a list of the students in grades 5, 7 and 10 that meet alternate assessment eligibility criteria, including the students EDUID and First and Last Names.
  - Compile a list of teachers that are responsible for alternate assessments for the identified students, including the teachers EDUID and First and Last Name.

- In order for teachers to access the application, which opens for them in January 2018, please work with your district technology staff to ensure teachers responsible for alternate science portfolios have the person assignment mapped in the admin tool. Once this is verified, please verify your teacher have registered for ISEE applications.
      For more information about these steps, please refer to the following documents: For Teachers registering as a new user: http://www.sde.idaho.gov/tech-

services/shared/Registering-as-New-User-on-ISEE.pdf. For the person assignment steps: http://www.sde.idaho.gov/tech-services/isee/training/general/Administration-Tool-Application.pdf
- Please contact the IT help desk if you need assistance on the admin tool. Contact Karren Streagle with questions about the IPASS application.

WIDA Screener & ACCESS

Please note: DRC (WIDA AMS) Planned Outage:
DRC is planning an outage from Saturday, Dec. 9 at 3:00pm to Sunday, Dec. 10 at 10:00pm CT. During this time, ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Online and WIDA Screener (including scoring) will be unavailable.

New!
WIDA Foundational Workshops:
WIDA Foundational Workshops, a new option for professional learning, are interactive, research-based offerings developed by WIDA and managed through WCEPS. These workshops are designed specifically for consortium districts and schools and focus on the application of the WIDA ELD Standards and Assessment System.

ACCESS Key Dates:
Test Materials Arrive to Districts: 1/16/18
Additional Materials Open Window: 1/16/18-3/2/18 – this is the next opportunity to order ACCESS test materials.
WIDA AMS Test Setup Available for Test Sessions: 1/3/18-3/9/18

New test administrators/proctors need to be trained and certified prior to administering ACCESS tests off the www.wida.us website . If certified last year, do not have to complete again.

ISAT Update

* New 2017 Edmodo Idaho State Assessment Networking Group 2017-18 JOIN CODE is **j8ykni** *(12-1-17)*
* Please check the ISAT Portal regularly for important messages and dates: http://idaho.portal.airast.org

AIR has created a short video to demonstrate the steps both students and test proctors will take when beginning a test session. This Test Administration Interface and Student Interface video tutorial provides a 16-minute walk-through of the steps for a test proctor to set up a test session and steps for students to take when taking any assessment in AIR's Test Delivery System. The tutorial is available in the Resources section under the **ELA/Literacy & Math Assessments**.

Connections Playlists: Fourteen new Interim Assessment Block – Digital Library Connections documents were released November 30. These provide links to the best Digital Library activities for the block content, based on the student's performance on the block. They can be found in the Digital Library, and will also be added to the Portal soon. On December 11 an

additional 20 Connections Playlists will be released. Two additional groups of Playlists will be released January 31 and February 16, 2018 to complete the 107 total for all blocks.

Reminder: When students exit your district, they need to be deleted from TIDE. If they are not deleted it may result in dual enrollment when they go to a new district. Please see the Quick Guide on Dual Enrollment for more details.

December's Assessments Monthly Update Webinar

Our next webinar will be December 13, 2017 at 10:00 AM MST. This webinar will have "just-in-time" information on our comprehensive assessment systems. To register, please click here.

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